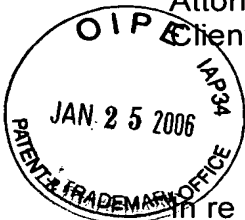


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AMENDMENT/RESPONSE TRANSMITTAL

Transmitted herewith is an amendment/response for this application.

EXTENSION OF TIME

The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant petitions for a 1 month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136.

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The fee for claims and extension of time (37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17) has been calculated as shown below:

| CLAIMS | | HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR | PRESENT EXTRA | RATE | ADDIT. FEE |
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Authorization is hereby made to charge the amount of \$120.00 to Deposit Account No. 033975. Charge any additional fees required by this paper or credit any overpayment in the manner authorized above. A duplicate of this paper is attached.

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In response to the Office Action dated September 30, 2005, a response being due on January 30, 2006 with a one-month extension of time being filed herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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